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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Murray Edward Bruce Leighton

Application No.: 10/088,042

Filing Date: July 11, 2002

For: Method Of And Apparatus For Sealing Zipper To A Substrate

Confirmation No.: 6575

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Examiner: Christopher R. Harmon

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

☒ Previously submitted

☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on October 30, 2006. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

2. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of **\$1,240.00**.

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- ☒ A response to the Final Rejection dated July 28, 2006 was due on October 28, 2006. Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time period for response from October 28, 2006 to and through December 28, 2006 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of 2 months.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of the fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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